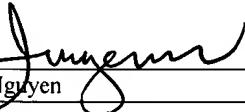


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AMENDMENT

Sir or Madam:

In response to the Office Action dated September 24, 2004, please amend the above-identified application in the following manner:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 8 of this paper.**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.